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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Renata Maria Anna CAVALIERE VESELY, et al.

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EXAMINER:

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FOR: STRAINS OF BACTERIA AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION CONTAINING ONE OR MORE OF SUCH

STRAINS AND USE OF SAME FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH OR

CAUSED BY ALTERED METABOLISM OF BILE ACIDS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

The Applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached European Search Report listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.

☐ A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR § 1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending applications or issued patents which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that

- each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

PETITION

Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1).

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. <u>15-0030</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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